

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr. 229946

February 9, 2001

Mr. John J. O'Grady Remedial Project Manager Superfund division USEPA Region V 77 West Jackson Blvd. [SR-6J] Chicago, IL 60604-3590

by FedEx

Re: Fanste

Fansteel Inc - North Chicago - Administrative Order,

Docket No. V-W-00-6-413 Designation of Contractor

Dear Mr. O'Grady:

In accordance with paragraph V.2 of the subject Administrative Order, please consider this letter as our notification on a new contractor we have retained to perform the work under this Order to implement the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis ("EE/CA"). Earth Sciences Consulting Inc. (ESCI) has been selected to replace Carlson Environmental Inc. (CEI) as our designated contractor for this work. A Qualification Statement prepared by ESCI is enclosed for your review.

Subcontractors to ESCI that may also be retained to perform work under this Order include Great Lakes Analytical (laboratory services) and other drilling services subcontractor(s) to be named later. You have already been provided written qualifications for Great Lakes Analytical. Timely qualification statements for any new subcontractor(s) will be provided to you in accordance with paragraph V.2 of the subject Administrative Order.

We would like ESCI to start as soon as possible. However, Paragraph V.2 further discusses that this contractor notice must be made at least 5 business days prior to commencement of work. Therefore, unless we hear otherwise from U.S. EPA on our selection of ESCI, ESCI will commence work on the EE/CA 5 business days after your receipt of this notice. Please contact me if you have any questions or if you would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely

E. Jonathan Jackson

Enclosure - Earth Sciences Consultants, Inc., Qualification Statement, 2/8/01

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